

FOR INFORMATION AND ACTION

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Subject: APHIS Adds Pale Cyst Nematode (*Globodera pallida*) Infested Field in Idaho

To: State and Territory Agricultural Regulatory Officials

Effective October 10, 2018, the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) added an 87-acre field to the pale cyst nematode (PCN) infested area in Bingham County, Idaho. APHIS took this action based on the confirmations of PCN cysts in soil samples from a potato production field in Bingham County received on September 25, 2018. This action brings the number of PCN-infested fields to 28 and the infested area to 3,130 acres.

Due to sharing of unwashed farm equipment and close proximity to this infested field, APHIS also placed an additional 93-acre field in Bingham County under regulation. In addition, APHIS made a geographic information system-based adjustment to the boundary of an associated field to improve accuracy of the regulated area map, which resulted in removing two acres under regulation in Bingham County. This brings the total regulated area in Idaho to 8,311 acres.

In accordance with the PCN regulations, APHIS has applied safeguarding measures on the interstate movement of PCN-regulated articles from these areas. APHIS will follow-up with a notice of this change to the regulated area in the *Federal Register*. The specific PCN-regulated areas are on the following website:

<https://www.aphis.usda.gov/planthealth/pcn>

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